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SUBJECT:MBFR: TRILATERAL MEETING IN LONDON

1. FRG EMBOFF (VON PFETTEN) PROVIDED ACDA SEPT. 20 WITH CURRENT GERMAN THINKING CONCERNING AGENDA FOR LONDON TRILATERAL MEETING. HE SAID THAT WHILE FRG REPS WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS ALL CURRENT MBFR PROBLEMS, THEY EXPECT THAT FOUR SUBJECTS WILL BE FOCAL POINTS FOR LONDON MEETING. FIRST, HANDLING OF DATA ISSUE WITHIN NATO. FRG SEES UK PAPER ("THE HANDLING OF A DATA DISCUSSION") AS BASIS FOR DISCUSSION AT LONDON. MOREOVER, FRG BELIEVES NATO DISCUSSION OF DATA PROBLEM SHOULD START--IF POSSIBLE--
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NEXT WEEK IN BRUSSELS. SECOND, PREPARATION FOR VIENNA

NEGOTIATIONS. FRG REPS BELIEVE LONDON MEETING SHOULD ADDRESS PREPARATION FOR RESUMPTION OF MBFR NEGOTIATIONS IN VIENNA. IN FRG VIEW, MAIN EFFORT OF TENTH ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE DIRECTED AT OPENING DISCUSSION WITH EAST OF DATA AND DEFINITIONS. THIRD, ASPECTS OF FRENCH DATA PROBLEM. GERMANS SEE DISCUSSION OF THIS SUBJECT AT LONDON ADDRESSING THREE ELEMENTS: SHORTER AND LONGER TERM ASPECTS OF PROBLEMS; FRG AND UK DRAFTS OF GUIDANCE TO AHG AS POSSIBLE BASIS FOR BILATERAL TALKS WITH FRENCH; IMPLICATIONS OF RECENT BELGIAN INITIATIVE (WHICH EMBOFF SAID FRG TRIED TO STOP BUT FAILED). FOURTH,

TREATMENT OF FRENCH DATA PROBLEM IN DEALING WITH OTHER NATO ALLIES.

2. ACDA OFFICER THANKED EMBOFF FOR THESE COMMENTS, AND NOTED THAT FOUR PRIORITY SUBJECTS DESCRIBED BY FRG ARE IN LINE WITH ISSUES WE BELIEVE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED DURING TRILATERAL MEETING. ACDA REP ALSO NOTED THAT WE ARE NOT AWARE OF SEPARATE UK PAPER DEALING WITH FRENCH DATA PROBLEM, BUT THAT US DELEGATION WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS IN DETAIL FRG PAPER ON THAT SUBJECT. (COMMENT: UK EMBASSY CONFIRMS THAT BRITISH PAPER WILL BE PRESENTED AT LONDON MEETING.) SPEAKING PERSONALLY, ACDA REP SAID THAT HE THOUGHT DISCUSSION OF DATA PROBLEM WITHIN NATO SHOULD BE ADDRESSED MOST CAREFULLY AT TRILATERAL MEETING AND THAT EARLY INITIATION OF DETAILED FORMAL DISCUSSION OF DATA PROBLEM IN NATO MAY BE PREMATURE AT THIS TIME, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF UNCERTAINTY WHICH CONTINUES TO SURROUND FRENCH DATA PROBLEM. ROBINSON

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